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SUBJECT: UNAUTHORIZED TRAFFIC IN ARMS TO MEXICO

AS YOU AWARE, THE PRESIDENT DELEGATED TO THE SECRETARY THE AUTHORITY (22 U.S.C. 1934) TO CONTROL THE EXPORT OF ARMS, AMMUNITION AND IMPLEMENTS OF WAR: SEE 10 FAM 180. OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS, U.S. BUREAU OF CUSTOMS, HAS PRIMARY RESPONSIBILITY FOR INVESTIGATION INTO, AND ENFORCEMENT OF, VIOLATIONS RELATING TO 22 U.S.C. 1934 AND THE REGULATIONS ISSUED PURSUANT THERETO (22 C.F.R. 121-128).

THAT OFFICE REPORTS INDICATIONS OF INCREASING UNAUTHORIZED TRAFFIC IN U.S. MUNITIONS LIST (ML) ARTICLES, PARTICULARLY FIREARMS, FROM U.S. TO MEXICO. TO COMBAT THIS PROBLEM, THE OFFICE WILL INITIATE AN ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM ON FEBRUARY 19 INVOLVING ITS SOUTHWEST AND WEST FIELD OFFICES. THE COOPERATION OF GOM WOULD GREATLY ASSIST IN THE EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAM.

HENCE, THE OFFICE OF INVESTIGATIONS HAS ASKED WHETHER
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ARRANGEMENTS COULD BE MADE FOR TWO REPRESENTATIVES FROM

HEADQUARTERS, WASHINGTON, AND THE CUSTOMS ATTACHE TO MEET WITH THE APPROPRIATE GOM OFFICIALS (ASSUME ATTORNEY GENERAL'S OFFICE) ON FEB. 14 OR 15 TO:

1. BRIEF GOM OFFICIALS ON CURRENT CUSTOMS INTELLIGENCE CONCERNING ILLEGAL MOVEMENT OF ML ARTICLES FROM U.S. TO M*X*CO;
2. BRIEF GOM OFFICIALS ON THE IMPENDING ENFORCEMENT PROGRAM;
3. SOLICIT GOM COOPERATION IN THE EXECUTION OF THE PROGRAM AND ESTABLISH A WORKABLE LINE OF COMMUNICATION, AT BOTH THE FEDERAL AND LOCAL LEVEL, TO INSURE THAT THE PROGRAM IS EFFECTIVELY CARRIED OUT;
4. OBTAIN CURRENT GOM INTELLIGENCE REGARDING THE ILLEGAL TRAFFIC, INCLUDING SERIAL NUMBERS OF WEAPONS SEIZED BY GOM DURING PAST TWO YEARS.

THE EMBASSY IS REQUESTED TO APPROACH GOM AT THE APPROPRIATE LEVEL WITH THE FOREGOING INFORMATION AND SEEK ITS CONCURRENCE TO THE PROPOSED MEETING. IF FEB. 14 OR 15 UNACCEPTABLE, ADVISE WHAT DATE, PRIOR TO FEB.19, ACCEPTABLE. KISSINGER

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